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Washington 26th Sept 1828.

Dear Sir

Yours upon the subject of your son is received. and in reply I have to say that such are the labors of my office and such is my inexperience as to the details of a printing office that I am compelled to hand over the control of the types to my foreman. who at my instance has reserved a place for your son. His compensation will be ten dollars per week - and some allowance for extra work. He will be had for 2500 pp per week. in good houses. I shall be gratified to see him here, and believe that the information which he will derive in the course of the winter will be of service to him.

As to Mr. Buchanan's letter. I think you have his point of that very well. You trace poor Chazy so that his "daily he" can not do him much service. I hope that nothing will be done to bring Buchanan more before the public - he is low and perhaps ashamed of the part he has acted - and altho his allusion to me was unkind. I rejoice at the course which the whole matter has taken.

The only difficulty now is the Vice Presidency. I wrote to you at large upon that subject and permit me again to say that as Clay & Adams become desperate they will look to the most desperate expedients - Clay despairs of the election of Adams or himself - He will then look to the organization of an opposition to Jackson's administration the basis

of which is to be personal to Mr Calhoun - who could present
so strong a nucleus as De Witt Clinton for such a party - If he
is now brought forward, Clay will rally his strength at once
and will give himself consequence as a leader of a party in
the West - If however the friends of Gen Jackson in the
West act wisely, they will put that move down by bring-
ing out Mr Calhoun as their candidate for the Presi-
dency at once - If this be done De Witt Clinton will
not consent to be a candidate in opposition to the
Jackson strength - He will not consent to be polled as
the Adams & Clay candidate, altho he might be glad
to avail himself of their strength if he could get a
Jackson nomination

You may rest assured that you in the West who
have so manfully met and conquered Mr Clay should prepare
yourself in time before you permit him to set up a
recruiting rendezvous in your own camp - for he afraid
that the result of a Jackson nomination of Clinton is to
throw the whole force of those opposed to Gen Jackson in the
West into his support both Mr Clay at the head -

The result will be that Mr Clay will preserve his strength &
then if a different course is adopted he will sink out of
being at once and his party will disappear so soon that
he shall all be astonished at his weakness -

I hope that our friends in Cincinnati will open a correspondence
with Judge Webb, Judge Brady & London Pope upon these points
and act in concert - If you do and nominate Mr Calhoun
on the 8th of January as it is intended to do in Pennsylvania
& New Jersey all will be safe -

Upon the score of qualifications and integrity you and of
principles we are bound to do as well by a regard to the
cause we have entered in of that which Mr Calhoun
has adopted.

Remember me kindly to our friends in Cincinnati
particularly those of the Rep. & to Mr Hayward -
Clinton is now our strength for it is in New York. We
try to fear from him if we do not attempt to carry
along. Mr Jones is safe Delaware is also and we
are sure of it if not of votes in Maryland. Virginia
is admitted on all hands to be for Jackson
but here all think that the victory is won.

Yours sincerely
O'Brien

P.S. Please say to Mr Bush that his letter is
received that Mr Schilling is appointed an
agent for the telegraph and ask him to request
Mr Bush to pay over all monies received from
him. Yours - O'Brien

Duff Green
April 26th 1829



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